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Directing certain committees to continue their ongoing investigations as part of the existing House of Representatives inquiry into whether sufficient grounds exist for the House of Representatives to exercise its Constitutional power to impeach Joseph Biden, President of the United States of America, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ARMSTRONG submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules

RESOLUTION

Directing certain committees to continue their ongoing investigations as part of the existing House of Representatives inquiry into whether sufficient grounds exist for the House of Representatives to exercise its Constitutional power to impeach Joseph Biden, President of the United States of America, and for other purposes.

1 *Resolved*, That the Committees on Oversight and Ac-
2 countability, Ways and Means, and the Judiciary are di-
3 rected to continue their ongoing investigations as part of
4 the House of Representatives inquiry into whether suffi-
5 cient grounds exist for the House of Representatives to
6 exercise its Constitutional power to impeach Joseph

1 Biden, President of the United States of America, includ-
2 ing as set forth in the memorandum issued by the Chairs
3 of the Committees on Oversight and Accountability, Ways
4 and Means, and Judiciary of the House of Representa-
5 tives, entitled “Impeachment Inquiry”, dated September
6 27, 2023.

7 **SEC. 2. INVESTIGATIVE PROCEEDINGS BY THE COMMITTEE**
8 **ON OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY.**

9 For the purpose of continuing the investigation de-
10 scribed in the first section of this resolution, the Com-
11 mittee on Oversight and Accountability is authorized to
12 conduct proceedings pursuant to this resolution as follows:

13 (1) The chair of the Committee on Oversight
14 and Accountability may designate an open hearing
15 or hearings pursuant to this section.

16 (2) Notwithstanding clause 2(j)(2) of rule XI of
17 the Rules of the House of Representatives, upon rec-
18 ognition by the chair for such purpose under this
19 paragraph during any hearing designated pursuant
20 to paragraph (1), the chair and ranking minority
21 member of the Committee on Oversight and Ac-
22 countability shall be permitted to question witnesses
23 for equal specified periods of longer than five min-
24 utes, as determined by the chair. The time available
25 for each period of questioning under this paragraph

1 shall be equal for the chair and the ranking minority
2 member. The chair may confer recognition for mul-
3 tiple periods of such questioning, but each period of
4 questioning shall not exceed 90 minutes in the ag-
5 gregate. Only the chair and ranking minority mem-
6 ber, or an employee of the Committee on Oversight
7 and Accountability if yielded to by the chair or rank-
8 ing minority member, may question witnesses during
9 such periods of questioning. At the conclusion of
10 questioning pursuant to this paragraph, the com-
11 mittee shall proceed with questioning under the five-
12 minute rule pursuant to clause 2(j)(2)(A) of rule XI.

13 (3) To allow for full evaluation of minority wit-
14 ness requests, the ranking minority member may
15 submit to the chair, in writing, any requests for wit-
16 ness testimony relevant to the investigation de-
17 scribed in the first section of this resolution within
18 72 hours after notice is given for the first hearing
19 designated pursuant to paragraph (1). Any such re-
20 quest shall be accompanied by a detailed written jus-
21 tification of the relevance of the testimony of each
22 requested witness to the investigation described in
23 the first section of this resolution.

24 (4)(A) The ranking minority member of the
25 Committee on Oversight and Accountability is au-

1 thorized, with the concurrence of the chair of the
2 Committee on Oversight and Accountability, to re-
3 quire, as deemed necessary to the investigation—

4 (i) by subpoena or otherwise—

5 (I) the attendance and testimony of
6 any person (including at a taking of a dep-
7 osition); and

8 (II) the production of books, records,
9 correspondence, memoranda, papers, and
10 documents; and

11 (ii) by interrogatory, the furnishing of in-
12 formation.

13 (B) In the case that the chair declines to con-
14 cur in a proposed action of the ranking minority
15 member pursuant to subparagraph (A), the ranking
16 minority member shall have the right to refer to the
17 committee for decision the question whether such
18 authority shall be so exercised and the chair shall
19 convene the committee promptly to render that deci-
20 sion, subject to the notice procedures for a com-
21 mittee meeting under clause 2(g)(3)(A) and (B) of
22 rule XI.

23 (C) Subpoenas and interrogatories so author-
24 ized may be signed by the ranking minority member,

1 and may be served by any person designated by the
2 ranking minority member.

3 (5) The chair is authorized to make publicly
4 available in electronic form the transcripts of deposi-
5 tions conducted by the Committee on Oversight and
6 Accountability in furtherance of the investigation de-
7 scribed in the first section of this resolution, with
8 appropriate redactions for classified and other sen-
9 sitive information.

10 (6) The Committee on Oversight and Account-
11 ability may issue a report setting forth its findings
12 and any recommendations and appending any infor-
13 mation and materials the Committee on Oversight
14 and Accountability may deem appropriate with re-
15 spect to the investigation described in the first sec-
16 tion of this resolution. The chair may transmit such
17 report and appendices, along with any supplemental,
18 minority, additional, or dissenting views filed pursu-
19 ant to clause 2(1) of rule XI, to the Committee on
20 the Judiciary and make such report publicly avail-
21 able in electronic form, with appropriate redactions
22 to protect classified and other sensitive information.
23 Any report prepared under this paragraph may be
24 prepared in consultation with the chairs of the Com-
25 mittees on Ways and Means and on the Judiciary.

1 **SEC. 3. INVESTIGATIVE PROCEEDINGS BY THE COMMITTEE**
2 **ON WAYS AND MEANS.**

3 For the purpose of continuing the investigation de-
4 scribed in the first section of this resolution, the Com-
5 mittee on Ways and Means is authorized to conduct pro-
6 ceedings pursuant to this resolution as follows:

7 (1) The chair of the Committee on Ways and
8 Means may designate an open hearing or hearings
9 pursuant to this section.

10 (2) Notwithstanding clause 2(j)(2) of rule XI of
11 the Rules of the House of Representatives, upon rec-
12 ognition by the chair for such purpose under this
13 paragraph during any hearing designated pursuant
14 to paragraph (1), the chair and ranking minority
15 member of the Committee on Ways and Means shall
16 be permitted to question witnesses for equal speci-
17 fied periods of longer than five minutes, as deter-
18 mined by the chair. The time available for each pe-
19 riod of questioning under this paragraph shall be
20 equal for the chair and the ranking minority mem-
21 ber. The chair may confer recognition for multiple
22 periods of such questioning, but each period of ques-
23 tioning shall not exceed 90 minutes in the aggregate.
24 Only the chair and ranking minority member, or an
25 employee of the Committee on Ways and Means if
26 yielded to by the chair or ranking minority member,

1 may question witnesses during such periods of ques-
2 tioning. At the conclusion of questioning pursuant to
3 this paragraph, the committee shall proceed with
4 questioning under the five-minute rule pursuant to
5 clause 2(j)(2)(A) of rule XI.

6 (3) To allow for full evaluation of minority wit-
7 ness requests, the ranking minority member may
8 submit to the chair, in writing, any requests for wit-
9 ness testimony relevant to the investigation de-
10 scribed in the first section of this resolution within
11 72 hours after notice is given for the first hearing
12 designated pursuant to paragraph (1). Any such re-
13 quest shall be accompanied by a detailed written jus-
14 tification of the relevance of the testimony of each
15 requested witness to the investigation described in
16 the first section of this resolution.

17 (4)(A) The ranking minority member of the
18 Committee on Ways and Means is authorized, with
19 the concurrence of the chair of the Committee on
20 Ways and Means, to require, as deemed necessary to
21 the investigation—

22 (i) by subpoena or otherwise—

23 (I) the attendance and testimony of
24 any person (including at a taking of a dep-
25 osition); and

1 (II) the production of books, records,
2 correspondence, memoranda, papers, and
3 documents; and

4 (ii) by interrogatory, the furnishing of in-
5 formation.

6 (B) In the case that the chair declines to con-
7 cur in a proposed action of the ranking minority
8 member pursuant to subparagraph (A), the ranking
9 minority member shall have the right to refer to the
10 committee for decision the question whether such
11 authority shall be so exercised and the chair shall
12 convene the committee promptly to render that deci-
13 sion, subject to the notice procedures for a com-
14 mittee meeting under clause 2(g)(3)(A) and (B) of
15 rule XI.

16 (C) Subpoenas and interrogatories so author-
17 ized may be signed by the ranking minority member,
18 and may be served by any person designated by the
19 ranking minority member.

20 (5) The chair is authorized to make publicly
21 available in electronic form the transcripts of deposi-
22 tions conducted by the Committee on Ways and
23 Means in furtherance of the investigation described
24 in the first section of this resolution, with appro-

1 appropriate redactions for classified and other sensitive in-
2 formation.

3 (6) The Committee on Ways and Means may
4 issue a report setting forth its findings and any rec-
5 ommendations and appending any information and
6 materials the Committee on Ways and Means may
7 deem appropriate with respect to the investigation
8 described in the first section of this resolution. The
9 chair may transmit such report and appendices,
10 along with any supplemental, minority, additional, or
11 dissenting views filed pursuant to clause 2(1) of rule
12 XI, to the Committee on the Judiciary and make
13 such report publicly available in electronic form,
14 with appropriate redactions to protect classified and
15 other sensitive information. Any report prepared
16 under this paragraph may be prepared in consulta-
17 tion with the chairs of the Committees on Oversight
18 and Accountability and on the Judiciary.

19 **SEC. 4. INVESTIGATIVE PROCEEDINGS BY THE COMMITTEE**
20 **ON THE JUDICIARY.**

21 For the purpose of continuing the investigation de-
22 scribed in the first section of this resolution, the Com-
23 mittee on the Judiciary is authorized to conduct pro-
24 ceedings pursuant to this resolution as follows:

1 (1) The chair of the Committee on the Judici-
2 ary may designate an open hearing or hearings pur-
3 suant to this section.

4 (2) Notwithstanding clause 2(j)(2) of rule XI of
5 the Rules of the House of Representatives, upon rec-
6 ognition by the chair for such purpose under this
7 paragraph during any hearing designated pursuant
8 to paragraph (1), the chair and ranking minority
9 member of the Committee on the Judiciary shall be
10 permitted to question witnesses for equal specified
11 periods of longer than five minutes, as determined
12 by the chair. The time available for each period of
13 questioning under this paragraph shall be equal for
14 the chair and the ranking minority member. The
15 chair may confer recognition for multiple periods of
16 such questioning, but each period of questioning
17 shall not exceed 90 minutes in the aggregate. Only
18 the chair and ranking minority member, or an em-
19 ployee of the Committee on the Judiciary if yielded
20 to by the chair or ranking minority member, may
21 question witnesses during such periods of ques-
22 tioning. At the conclusion of questioning pursuant to
23 this paragraph, the committee shall proceed with
24 questioning under the five-minute rule pursuant to
25 clause 2(j)(2)(A) of rule XI.

1 (3) To allow for full evaluation of minority wit-
2 ness requests, the ranking minority member may
3 submit to the chair, in writing, any requests for wit-
4 ness testimony relevant to the investigation de-
5 scribed in the first section of this resolution within
6 72 hours after notice is given for the first hearing
7 designated pursuant to paragraph (1). Any such re-
8 quest shall be accompanied by a detailed written jus-
9 tification of the relevance of the testimony of each
10 requested witness to the investigation described in
11 the first section of this resolution.

12 (4)(A) The ranking minority member of the
13 Committee on the Judiciary is authorized, with the
14 concurrence of the chair of the Committee on the
15 Judiciary, to require, as deemed necessary to the in-
16 vestigation—

17 (i) by subpoena or otherwise—

18 (I) the attendance and testimony of
19 any person (including at a taking of a dep-
20 osition); and

21 (II) the production of books, records,
22 correspondence, memoranda, papers, and
23 documents; and

24 (ii) by interrogatory, the furnishing of in-
25 formation.

1 (B) In the case that the chair declines to con-
2 cur in a proposed action of the ranking minority
3 member pursuant to subparagraph (A), the ranking
4 minority member shall have the right to refer to the
5 committee for decision the question whether such
6 authority shall be so exercised and the chair shall
7 convene the committee promptly to render that deci-
8 sion, subject to the notice procedures for a com-
9 mittee meeting under clause 2(g)(3)(A) and (B) of
10 rule XI.

11 (C) Subpoenas and interrogatories so author-
12 ized may be signed by the ranking minority member,
13 and may be served by any person designated by the
14 ranking minority member.

15 (5) The chair is authorized to make publicly
16 available in electronic form the transcripts of deposi-
17 tions conducted by the Committee on the Judiciary
18 in furtherance of the investigation described in the
19 first section of this resolution, with appropriate
20 redactions for classified and other sensitive informa-
21 tion.

22 **SEC. 5. IMPEACHMENT INQUIRY PROCEDURES IN THE**
23 **COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY.**

24 (a) The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to
25 conduct proceedings relating to the impeachment inquiry

1 described in the first section of this resolution pursuant
2 to the procedures submitted for printing in the Congres-
3 sional Record by the chair of the Committee on Rules, in-
4 cluding such procedures as to allow for the participation
5 of the President and his counsel.

6 (b) The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to
7 promulgate additional procedures as it deems necessary
8 for the fair and efficient conduct of committee hearings
9 held pursuant to this resolution, provided that the addi-
10 tional procedures are not inconsistent with the procedures
11 referenced in subsection (a), the Rules of the Committee,
12 and the Rules of the House.

13 (c)(1) The ranking minority member of the Com-
14 mittee on the Judiciary is authorized, with the concur-
15 rence of the chair of the Committee on the Judiciary, to
16 require, as deemed necessary to the investigation—

17 (A) by subpoena or otherwise—

18 (i) the attendance and testimony of any
19 person (including at a taking of a deposition);
20 and

21 (ii) the production of books, records, cor-
22 respondence, memoranda, papers, and docu-
23 ments; and

24 (B) by interrogatory, the furnishing of informa-
25 tion.

1 (2) In the case that the chair declines to concur in
2 a proposed action of the ranking minority member pursu-
3 ant to paragraph (1), the ranking minority member shall
4 have the right to refer to the committee for decision the
5 question whether such authority shall be so exercised and
6 the chair shall convene the committee promptly to render
7 that decision, subject to the notice procedures for a com-
8 mittee meeting under clause 2(g)(3)(A) and (B) of rule
9 XI.

10 (3) Subpoenas and interrogatories so authorized may
11 be signed by the ranking minority member, and may be
12 served by any person designated by the ranking minority
13 member.

14 (d) The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to
15 report to the House of Representatives resolutions, articles
16 of impeachment, or other recommendations.

17 **SEC. 6. ADOPTION OF HOUSE RESOLUTION 917.**

18 House Resolution 917 is hereby adopted.

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